

No. 1984-199

## AN ACT

SB 680

Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for limitations of prosecutions for certain criminal offenses.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Section 5551 of Title 42 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

§ 5551. No limitation applicable [~~to murder or voluntary manslaughter~~].

A prosecution for [~~murder or for voluntary manslaughter~~] *the following offenses* may be commenced at any time:

(1) *Murder.*

(2) *Voluntary manslaughter.*

(3) *Conspiracy to commit murder or solicitation to commit murder if a murder results from the conspiracy or solicitation.*

(4) *Any felony alleged to have been perpetrated in connection with a murder of the first or second degree, as set forth in 18 Pa.C.S. § 2502(a) or (b) and (d) (relating to murder).*

Section 2. Section 5552(a) and (b) of Title 42 are amended to read:

§ 5552. Other offenses.

(a) General rule.—Except as otherwise provided in this subchapter, a prosecution for an offense [~~other than murder or voluntary manslaughter~~] must be commenced within two years after it is committed.

(b) Major offenses.—A prosecution for any of the following offenses must be commenced within five years after it is committed:

(1) Under the following provisions of Title 18 (relating to crimes and offenses):

Section 911 (relating to corrupt organizations).

Section 2706 (relating to terroristic threats).

Section 2901 (relating to kidnapping).

Section 3121 (relating to rape).

Section 3123 (relating to involuntary deviate sexual intercourse).

Section 3301 (relating to arson and related offenses).

Section 3502 (relating to burglary).

Section 3701 (relating to robbery).

Section 3921 (relating to theft by unlawful taking or disposition) through section 3931 (relating to theft of unpublished dramas and musical compositions).

Section 4101 (relating to forgery).

Section 4108 (relating to commercial bribery and breach of duty to act disinterestedly).

Section 4109 (relating to rigging publicly exhibited contest).

Section 4302 (relating to incest).

Section 4701 (relating to bribery in official and political matters) through section 4703 (relating to retaliation for past official action).

Section 4902 (relating to perjury) through section 4912 (relating to impersonating a public servant).

Section 4952 (relating to intimidation of witnesses or victims).

Section 4953 (relating to retaliation against witness or victim).

Section 5101 (relating to obstructing administration of law or other governmental function).

Section 5512 (relating to lotteries, etc.) through section 5514 (relating to pool selling and bookmaking).

Section 5902(b) (relating to prostitution and related offenses).

(2) Any offense punishable under section 13(f) of the act of April 14, 1972 (P.L.233, No.64), known as "The Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act."

(3) Any conspiracy to commit any of the offenses set forth in paragraphs (1) and (2) *and any solicitation to commit any of the offenses in paragraphs (1) and (2) if the solicitation results in the completed offense.*

(4) Under the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the "Public Welfare Code."

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Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.

APPROVED—The 14th day of December, A. D. 1984.

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